GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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NRIGHT
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to set up a National Research and InformationGrid for Horticulture Trade (NRIGHT) jointly by industry and Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of steps taken/proposed to upgrade/expand the infrastructural and institutional frame/network?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD Y.NAIK)

(a)to(c): There is no proposal to set up a National Research and Information Grid forHorticulture Trade (NRIGHT)However, the Department of Agriculture & Cooperationhas approved a Central Sector Scheme for Agricultural Marketing Information Networkto establish a nation-wide network for speedy collection and dissemination of market information/data for their efficient and timely utilisation. Under this scheme, all important Agricultural Produce Markets and State agricultural MarketingBoards/Departments in the country will be linked up through a computer network. The Scheme is being implemented by Directorate of Marketing and Inspection (DMI) inconsultation with National Informatics Centre (NIC). The scheme would inter-alia, helpthe farmers to realise better prices for their produce.